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House Resolution 1760

By: Representatives Ashe of the 56th, Bell of the 58th, and Benfield of the 85th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Dr. Rosemary Lévy Zumwalt; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Dr. Rosemary Lévy Zumwalt has long been recognized by the citizens of this
- 3 state for the vital role that she has played in the teaching profession and her deep personal
- 4 commitment to the education of the students of Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Dr. Zumwalt has diligently and conscientiously devoted her time, talents, and
- 6 energy since 2001 to Agnes Scott College as vice president for academic affairs and dean of
- 7 the college; and
- 8 WHEREAS, she earned bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees from the University of
- 9 California, is a John Simon Guggenheim Fellow and Mellon Resident Research Fellow, and
- specializes in ritual and symbolic behavior, history and theory of anthropology and folklore,
- 11 and Jewish folklore; and
- 12 WHEREAS, before joining the Agnes Scott faculty, Dr. Zumwalt served for 18 years on the
- 13 faculty of Davidson College, where she held the positions of Chair of the Department of
- 14 Anthropology and Sociology, vice chair pro-tem of the faculty, and Paul B. Freeland
- 15 Professor of Anthropology; and
- 16 WHEREAS, an accomplished author, Dr. Zumwalt's most recent work, Franz Boas and
- 17 W.E.B. DuBois at Atlanta University, received the John Frederick Lewis Award from the
- 18 American Philosophical Society; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Dr. Zumwalt has inspired and advocated for the faculty at Agnes Scott over the
- 20 past decade, serving as the liaison administrator for the Academic Affairs Committee of the
- 21 Board of Trustees; and

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WHEREAS, during her tenure at Agnes Scott College, Dr. Zumwalt has been instrumental

- 23 in the creation of the Generating Excellence in Math and Science (GEMS) Program, the
- 24 initiation of the first Consortium for Diversity faculty hire, and the renovation of Campbell
- 25 Hall into an innovative, multi-disciplinary teaching space; and
- 26 WHEREAS, she is united in love and marriage to her husband Isaac Jack Lévy,
- 27 Distinguished Professor Emeritus of Spanish Language and Literature at the University of
- 28 South Carolina, who also has served as her co-author; and
- 29 WHEREAS, although her presence at Agnes Scott as dean will be sorely missed with her
- 30 retirement, her influence will be present for years to come through the many programs and
- 31 policies she was instrumental in establishing.
- 32 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 33 the members of this body commend Dr. Rosemary Lévy Zumwalt for her years of efficient,
- 34 effective, unselfish, and dedicated service to the Agnes Scott College; congratulate her upon
- 35 the grand occasion of her retirement; and extend to her their most sincere best wishes for
- 36 continued health and happiness.
- 37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 38 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Rosemary Lévy
- 39 Zumwalt.